

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Previously Presented) A system for decoratively covering a linear object, said system comprising:
 - a linear object, said linear object selected from the group consisting of electrical cords, chandelier chains and pipes;
 - a lengthwise strip of fabric, said lengthwise strip of fabric having a first widthwise edge, a second widthwise edge, a first lengthwise edge, a second lengthwise edge, an interior side and an exterior side,
 - a first elastic strip hemmed along said first lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric, and a second elastic strip hemmed along said second lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric, said first and second elastic strips together providing said strip of fabric with a gathered configuration,
 - a strip of pressure sensitive adhesive transfer tape, said pressure sensitive adhesive transfer tape having a base side and a fastening side, said base side of said pressure sensitive adhesive adhered to said interior side of said strip of fabric substantially along said first lengthwise edge, and
 - a liner, said liner covering said fastening side of said pressure sensitive adhesive transfer tape to thereby assist in preserving adhesive properties of said pressure sensitive adhesive transfer tape, said liner selectively removable from said fastening side of said transfer tape to thereby allow said fastening side of said transfer tape to be selectively adhered to said exterior side of said strip of fabric substantially along said second lengthwise edge so that said first and second lengthwise edges overlap one another and are aligned generally parallel to one another to thereby form a tubular configuration for enveloping said linear object, said tubular

configuration having a first open end formed along said first widthwise edge and a second open end formed along said second widthwise edge.

2. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein said pressure sensitive adhesive transfer tape is reusable for a limited number of times, such that said cord cover can be opened and reused.

3. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein said pressure sensitive adhesive transfer tape is discontinuous.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) A system for decoratively covering [[cord cover device configured to envelope]] a linear object [[such as a cord, chandelier chain or pipe]], comprising:

a linear object, said linear object selected from the group consisting of electrical cords, chandelier chains and pipes;

a lengthwise strip of fabric, said lengthwise strip of fabric having a first widthwise edge, a second widthwise edge, a first lengthwise edge, a second lengthwise edge, an interior side and an exterior side,

a first elastic strip hemmed along said first lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric, and a second elastic strip hemmed along said second lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric, said first and second elastic strips together providing said strip of fabric with a gathered configuration, and

a pressure sensitive adhesive having a base side and a fastening side, said base side of said pressure sensitive adhesive adhered to said strip of fabric, said pressure sensitive adhesive positioned and configured to allow said fastening side of said pressure sensitive adhesive to be selectively adhered to said lengthwise strip of fabric substantially along said second lengthwise edge so that said first and second lengthwise edges overlap one another and are aligned generally parallel to one another to thereby form a tubular configuration, configured to envelope said linear object, said tubular configuration having a first open end formed along said first widthwise edge and a second open end formed along said second widthwise edge.

6. (Original) The device of claim 5, wherein said pressure sensitive adhesive is a transfer tape.

7. (Original) The device of claim 6, wherein said transfer tape has a removable liner on said fastening side to thereby assist in preserving adhesive properties of said pressure sensitive adhesive.

8. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 5, wherein said pressure sensitive adhesive is reusable for a limited number of times, such that said cord cover can be opened and reused.
9. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 5, wherein said pressure sensitive adhesive is discontinuous.
10. (Cancelled) The device of claim 5, further comprising a first elastic strip hemmed along said first lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric, and a second elastic strip hemmed along said second lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric, said first and second elastic strips together providing said strip of fabric with a gathered configuration.
11. (Withdrawn) A method of enveloping a linear object such as a cord, chandelier chain or pipe, comprising: providing a lengthwise strip of fabric, said lengthwise strip of fabric having a first widthwise edge, a second widthwise edge, a first lengthwise edge, a second lengthwise edge, an interior side, an exterior side, and a pressure sensitive adhesive adhered to said strip of fabric along said first lengthwise edge, placing said interior side of said strip of fabric along a linear object, wrapping said strip of fabric around said linear object, bringing said pressure sensitive adhesive into contact with said strip of fabric, and applying pressure to said fabric to thereby attach said strip of fabric to said adhesive to thereby form a tubular configuration around the linear object, said tubular configuration having a first open end formed along said first widthwise edge and a second open end formed along said second widthwise edge.
12. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 11, wherein said pressure sensitive adhesive is a transfer tape.

13. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 12, wherein said transfer tape has a removable liner on said fastening side to thereby assist in preserving adhesive properties of said pressure sensitive adhesive.

14. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 11, wherein said pressure sensitive adhesive is discontinuous.

15. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 11, wherein said pressure sensitive adhesive is reusable for a limited number of times, such that said cord cover can be opened and reused.

16. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 15, further comprising reusing said strip of fabric by detaching said second lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric from said pressure sensitive adhesive, removing said strip of fabric from the linear object, placing said interior side of said strip of fabric along a second cord, bringing said second lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric into contact with said pressure sensitive adhesive, and applying pressure to said fabric to thereby attach said second lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric to said adhesive to thereby form a tubular configuration around the second cord, said tubular configuration having a first open end formed along said first widthwise edge and a second open end formed along said second widthwise edge.

17. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 11, further comprising a first elastic strip hemmed along said first lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric, and a second elastic strip hemmed along said second lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric, said first and second elastic strips together providing said strip of fabric with a gathered configuration.

18. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 11, further comprising replacing said pressure sensitive adhesive when said pressure sensitive adhesive becomes fatigued.

19. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 11, further comprising attaching said pressure sensitive adhesive to said strip of fabric such that said tubular configuration has varying inner diameters along said lengthwise strip of fabric.

20. (Currently Amended) A system for decoratively covering [[cord cover device configured to envelope]] a linear object [[such as a cord, chandelier chain or pipe]], comprising:

a linear object, said linear object selected from the group consisting of electrical cords, chandelier chains and pipes;

a generally rectangular lengthwise strip of fabric, said lengthwise strip of fabric having a first widthwise edge, a second widthwise edge, a first lengthwise edge, a second lengthwise edge, an interior side and an exterior side,

a first elastic strip hemmed along said first lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric, and a second elastic strip hemmed along said second lengthwise edge of said strip of fabric, said first and second elastic strips together providing said strip of fabric with a gathered configuration,

a strip of pressure sensitive adhesive transfer tape, said pressure sensitive adhesive transfer tape having a base side and a fastening side, said base side of said pressure sensitive adhesive adhered to said interior side of said strip of fabric substantially along said first lengthwise edge, and

a liner, said liner covering said fastening side of said pressure sensitive adhesive transfer tape to thereby assist in preserving adhesive properties of said pressure sensitive adhesive transfer tape, said liner selectively removable from said fastening side of said transfer tape to thereby allow said fastening side of said transfer tape to be selectively adhered to said exterior side of said strip of fabric substantially along said second lengthwise edge so that said first and second lengthwise edges overlap one another and are aligned generally parallel to one another to thereby form a tubular configuration configured to envelope said linear object, said tubular configuration having a first open end formed along said first widthwise edge and a second open end formed along said second widthwise edge.